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In re Application of
Yasuyuki Unno et al.
Application No. 10/684,294
Filed: October 10, 2003
Attorney Docket No. 1232-4756US1

OFFICE OF PETITIONS

: DECISION GRANTING
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This is a decision on the petition filed March 15, 2004 in response to a Notice to File Corrected Application Papers mailed January 12, 2004.

The instant application was filed October 10, 2003 and a filing date was accorded. However, the Notice mailed January 12, 2004, indicated that amongst the application papers submitted, Figure 18 appeared to have been omitted.

Petitioner asserts that the paper containing Figure 18 was amongst the papers filed on October 10, 2003, and submits a "legible" postcard receipt in evidence thereof. While the postcard receipt itemizes the number of drawing sheets versus the number of figures filed, the postcard is identified by the application and acknowledges, inter alia, the number of drawing sheets to be 18 and bears a United States Patent and Trademark Office date-stamp of October 10, 2003. Further, the postcard receipt lacks any notation of non-receipt of any item listed.

In view of the foregoing, the petition is **Granted**.

Notice is also given to the fact that in compliance with 37 CFR 1.84 and 37 CFR 1.121 and the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, replacement drawings of Figures 5, 7, 13 and 14 have also been submitted with the instant petition.

Given the basis for granting the petition, no petition fee is due none will be charged.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) for further processing, using the application papers received in the Office on October 10, 2003 and the one sheet of drawing containing Figure 18 submitted on petition March 15, 2004.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned Petitions Attorney at (703) 305-4497.

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